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This report contains the results from the *May 2008 Ag Yield Survey*. The data are also posted on our Web site at the Internet address above, and for more detailed U.S. statistics, visit <http://www.nass.usda.gov/>. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaire and/or interview for this survey.

Winter Wheat Production Up 55 Percent from 2007 May 1 Hay Stocks Up 231 Percent from Last Year 2007 Cotton Production Down 25 Percent from 2006

Cotton: Arkansas cotton production for 2007 was 1.90 million bales, 629,000 bales less than the record production year of 2006. Producers yielded 1,071 pounds per harvested acre, up 26 pounds from a year ago and the second highest yield on record behind the 1,114 pounds per acre in 2004. Producers harvested 850,000 acres of cotton, down 27 percent from 2006 and the smallest harvested acreage since 1990.

Hay Stocks: The May 1, 2008, hay stocks, at 530,000 tons, are up 370,000 tons from the May 1, 2007, stocks. Farmers used 80 percent of the hay stocks since December 1, 2007.

Winter Wheat: Winter Wheat production in 2008 for Arkansas is forecast at 44.5 million bushels, up 55 percent from a year ago. Based on May 1 conditions, yield is expected to average 53 bushels per acre, 12 bushels per acre more than last year's yield. Area for harvest, at 840,000 acres, is up 20 percent from 2007.

Winter Wheat Area Harvested, Yield, and Production, Arkansas, Neighboring States, and U.S., 2007 and Forecasted May 1, 2008

State	Area Harvested		Yield		Production	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
	1,000 Acres		Bushels per Acre		1,000 Bushels	
Arkansas	700	840	41.0	53.0	28,700	44,520
Mississippi	330	425	56.0	57.0	18,480	24,225
Missouri	880	1,120	43.0	52.0	37,840	58,240
Oklahoma	3,500	4,500	28.0	33.0	98,000	148,500
Tennessee	260	490	41.0	58.0	10,660	28,420
Texas	3,800	3,400	37.0	29.0	140,600	98,600
United States	35,952	40,162	42.2	44.3	1,515,989	1,777,532

Upland Cotton Area Planted, Area Harvested, Yield, and Production, Arkansas, Surrounding States, and U.S., 2006-2007

State	Area Planted		Area Harvested		Lint Yield		Production ¹	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	1,000 Acres				Pounds per Acre		1,000 Bales	
Arkansas	1,170	860	1,160	850	1,045	1,071	2,525.0	1,896.0
Louisiana	635	335	630	330	946	1,017	1,241.0	699.0
Mississippi	1,230	660	1,220	655	829	966	2,107.0	1,318.0
Missouri	500	380	496	379	953	968	985.0	764.0
Oklahoma	320	175	180	165	541	817	203.0	281.0
Tennessee	700	515	695	510	945	565	1,368.0	600.0
Texas	6,400	4,900	4,100	4,700	679	843	5,800.0	8,250.0
United States	14,948	10,535	12,408	10,201	806	864	20,822.4	18,355.1

¹ 480-Lb Net Weight Bales.

Cottonseed Production, Arkansas, Surrounding States, and U.S., 2005-2007

State	2005	2006	2007	% Change from '06
	1,000 Tons			
Arkansas	771.0	861.0	671.0	- 22
Louisiana	364.0	400.0	228.0	- 43
Mississippi	736.0	731.0	467.0	- 36
Missouri	285.0	359.0	276.0	- 23
Oklahoma	127.0	71.6	106.5	+ 49
Tennessee	386.0	441.0	203.0	- 54
Texas	2,868.7	2,065.9	2,860.7	+ 38
United States	8,172.1	7,347.9	6,588.7	- 10

Hay Stocks On Farms, Arkansas, Surrounding States, and U.S., 2006-2008

State	December 1	May 1	December 1	May 1
	2006	2007	2007	2008
	<i>1,000 Tons</i>			
Arkansas	2,140	160	2,700	530
Louisiana	690	57	820	100
Mississippi	1,186	78	1,459	196
Missouri	5,415	625	6,662	900
Oklahoma	3,275	400	6,100	1,600
Tennessee	3,103	425	1,930	195
Texas	7,550	885	13,400	4,906
United States	96,555	15,013	103,986	21,593